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2. Alphabetical Designators In connection with information contained herein, specific points of interest are noted 25X1 and referred to in this report by the following alphabetical designators: 25X1

(A) Anchorage
(B) First Berth
(C) Second Berth
(D) Pilot discharged
(E) Construction area
(F) Floating drydock
(G) Repair yard
(H) Granary
(I) Soviet cruiser
(J) Daily range of minesweepers
(K) Night anchorage of minesweepers
(L) Naval patrol boat operating area
(M) DMITROV (BU) 25X1
(N) KIROV (RU)
(O)
(P)
(Q) Naval meteorological station
(R) Searchlight batteries

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[redacted] 25X1

4. Harbor Several 28' draft tankers were in port. [redacted] a vessel of such a draft could navigate throughout the harbor without difficulties. 25X1

5. [redacted] 25X1

6. Harbor Craft [redacted] Twelve or more other tugs were observed in subject port. One tug was diesel powered and the others were steam powered. All tugs were 80' or longer, had similar markings, and were all painted black. [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] 25X1

7. Berth [redacted] 25X1

Handling facilities at the berth consisted of two traveling cranes. A new traveling crane was installed on [redacted] 14 Jun 56. The new crane [redacted] 25X1 had a five-ton boom about 50-60' long. [redacted] these cranes are representative of most of the cranes found in subject port. 25X1

[redacted] Roads service the area; however, their use is limited by regulations. Two to three gangs of stevedores were used for cargo operations. Each gang consisted of six men. Six men worked aboard ship, four on the dock, and two men stacked the bags in railroad cars or in piles between the tracks. The work gangs were used in eight-hour shifts when the railroad cars were available. Proficiency was rated "poor." Three or four women were used as tallymen. Both males and females were used as crane operators. Work progressed slowly due to crane breakdowns, power outage and damage to cranes. Cargo operations were completed 141710C Jun 56. 25X1

[redacted] Fuel was delivered from a barge through the line at a rate of about 50 tons per hour. [redacted] the fuel oil was of satisfactory quality. 25X1 25X1

8. Construction [redacted] "great activity" in the area labeled designator E. 25X1

9. Shipbuilding and Ship Repair [redacted] a floating dry dock at position labeled designator F. [redacted] a part of a quay labeled designator G which was used as a repair yard for minor repairs only. 25X1

10. Grain [redacted] a granary located at position labeled designator H. Figure 10-a is a diagram of the granary as furnished by the source and prepared by DIO-8ND representatives.

11. Naval Vessels [redacted] a light cruiser at position labeled designator I. 25X1

[redacted] the torpedo tubes were missing and the addition of what appeared to be navigational radar on the mast above the bridge. The

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ship was painted gray. Three Soviet submarines operated in the port area by day and anchored in the vicinity of the cruiser at night. [redacted] the submarines [redacted] types 55 and 56. Two minesweepers swept the channel, labeled designator J, and anchored at night at position labeled designator K. The minesweepers were similar to type 103 [redacted] six or eight small naval "patrol craft," armed with a single mount machine gun and equipped with a powerful searchlight, operated in the area labeled designator L during the call. [redacted]

12. Merchant Vessels [redacted] two T-2 size Soviet merchant ships discharged full cargoes of soybeans at granary, position labeled designator H. [redacted] many ships coming in and out of the port which he believed were mostly carrying cargoes of machinery and coal. [redacted] cargo operations progressed fairly slowly. [redacted] the DMITROV, a Bulgarian freighter, at position labeled designator M loading what was believed to be a cargo of iron for China. A Soviet freighter, the KIROV, loaded general cargo and/or sugar at position labeled designator N. A six-eight thousand gross tons [redacted] freighter loaded machinery at position labeled designator O. An [redacted] vessel was berthed at position labeled designator P. [redacted]

13. Miscellaneous [redacted] a naval meteorological station, manned by naval personnel, at position labeled designator Q. Designator R indicates the position of three searchlight batteries. [redacted] the battery at Quarantine Harbor was not as strong as the other two. Three to 20 swept-wing jet fighters flew over the port each day. Crew members spent most of their shore leave time at the Seaman's Club. [redacted] subject port is heavily engaged in shipping of machinery and construction equipment and that coal traffic out of subject port is heavy. [redacted]

[redacted]

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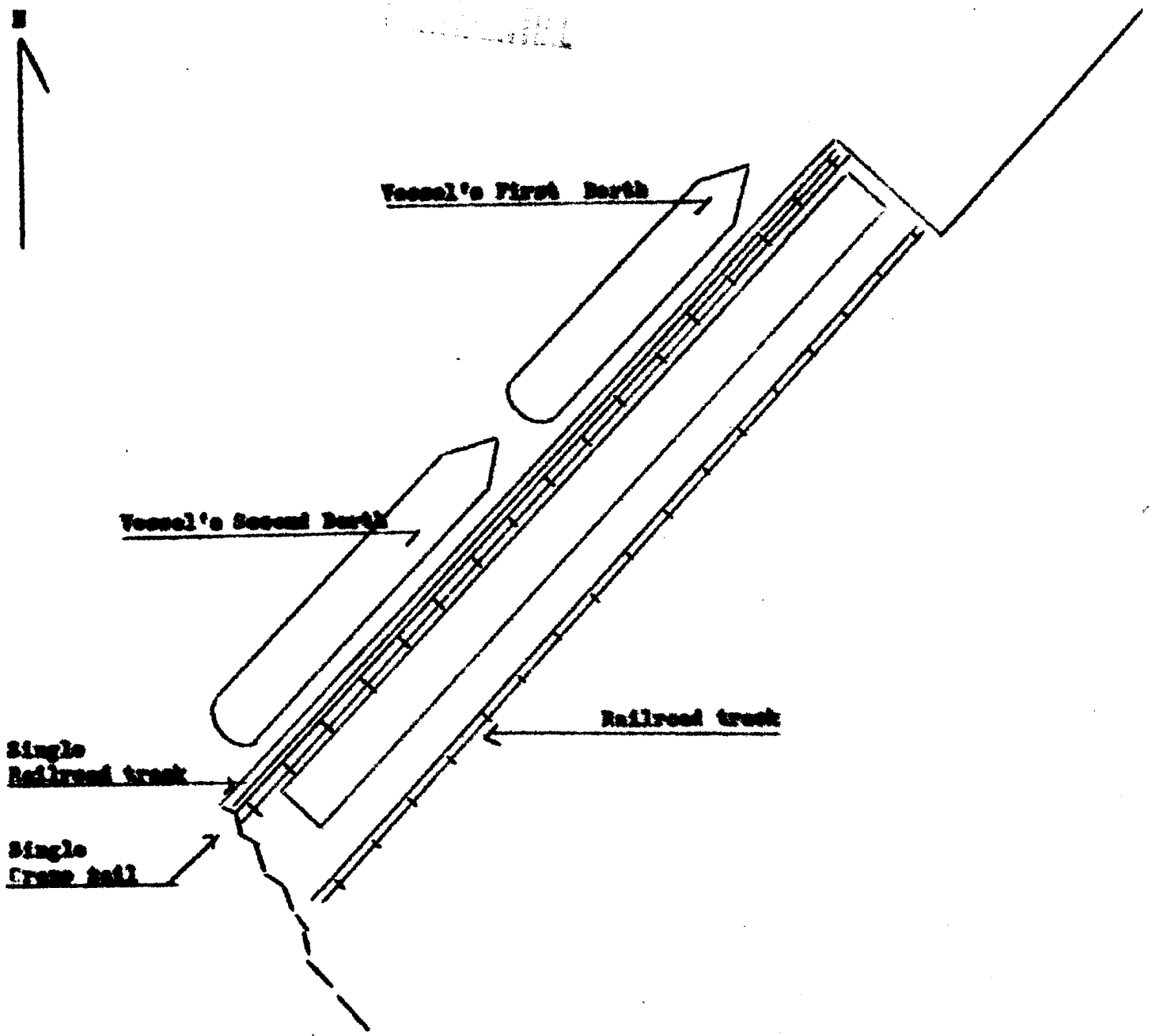

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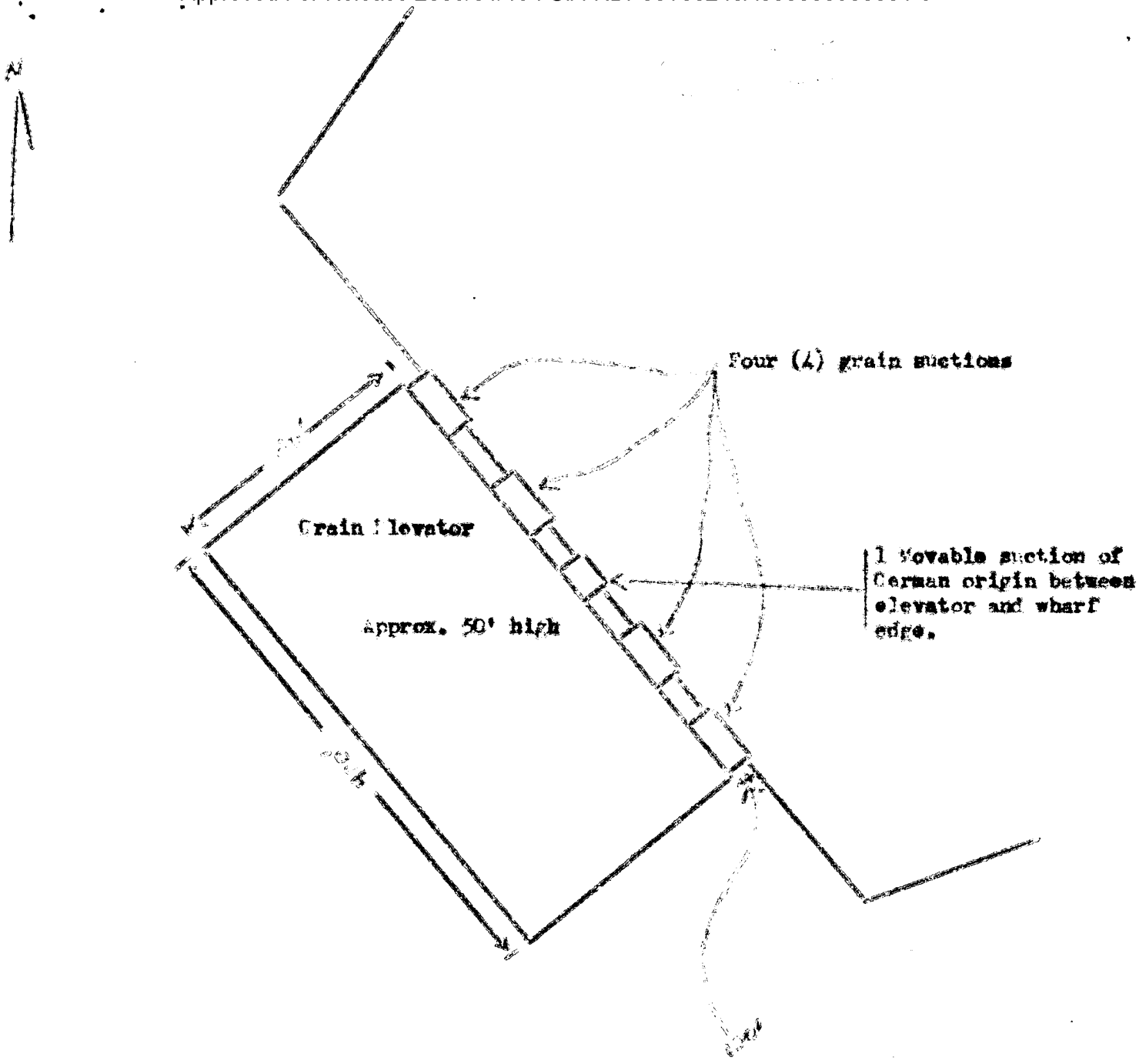

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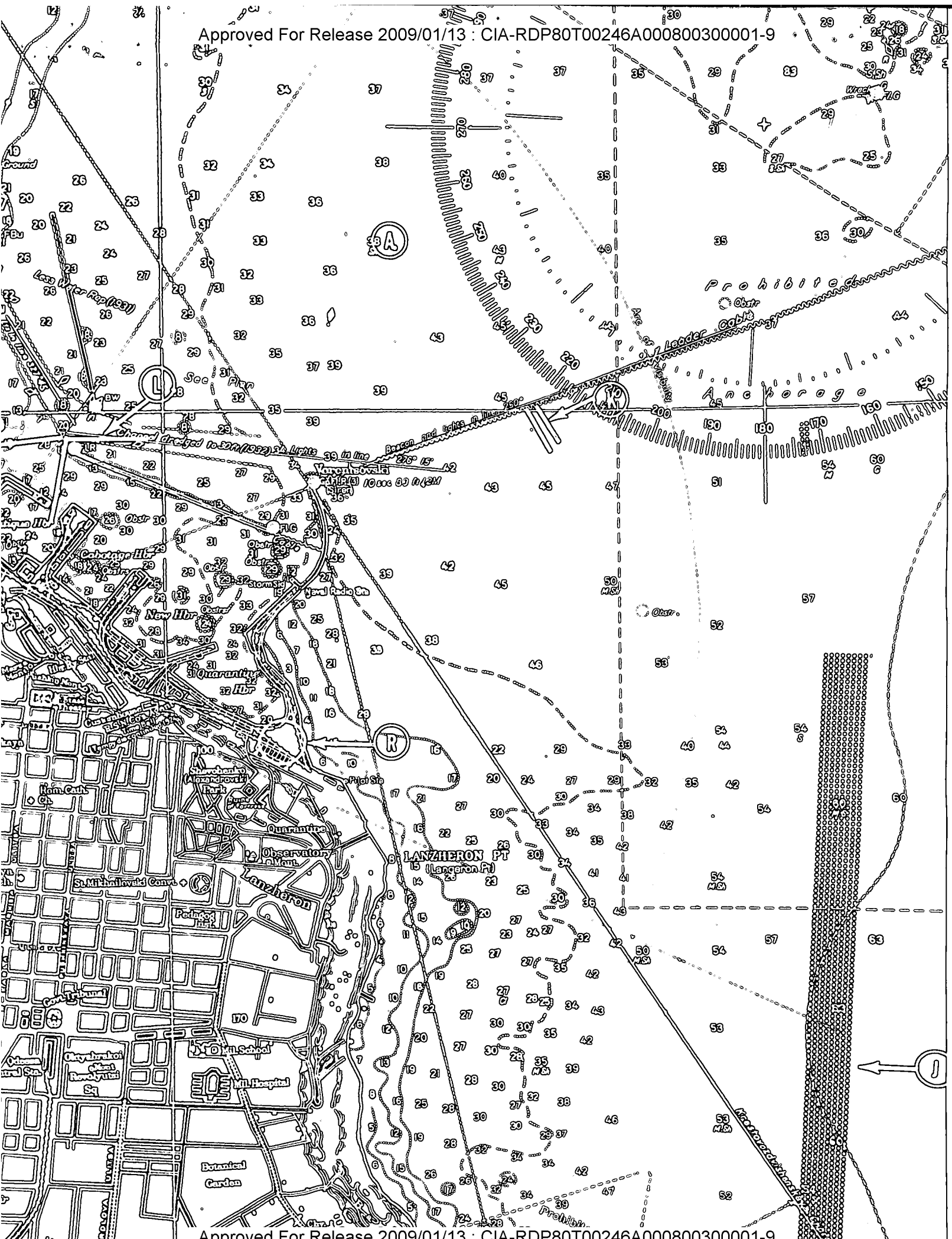

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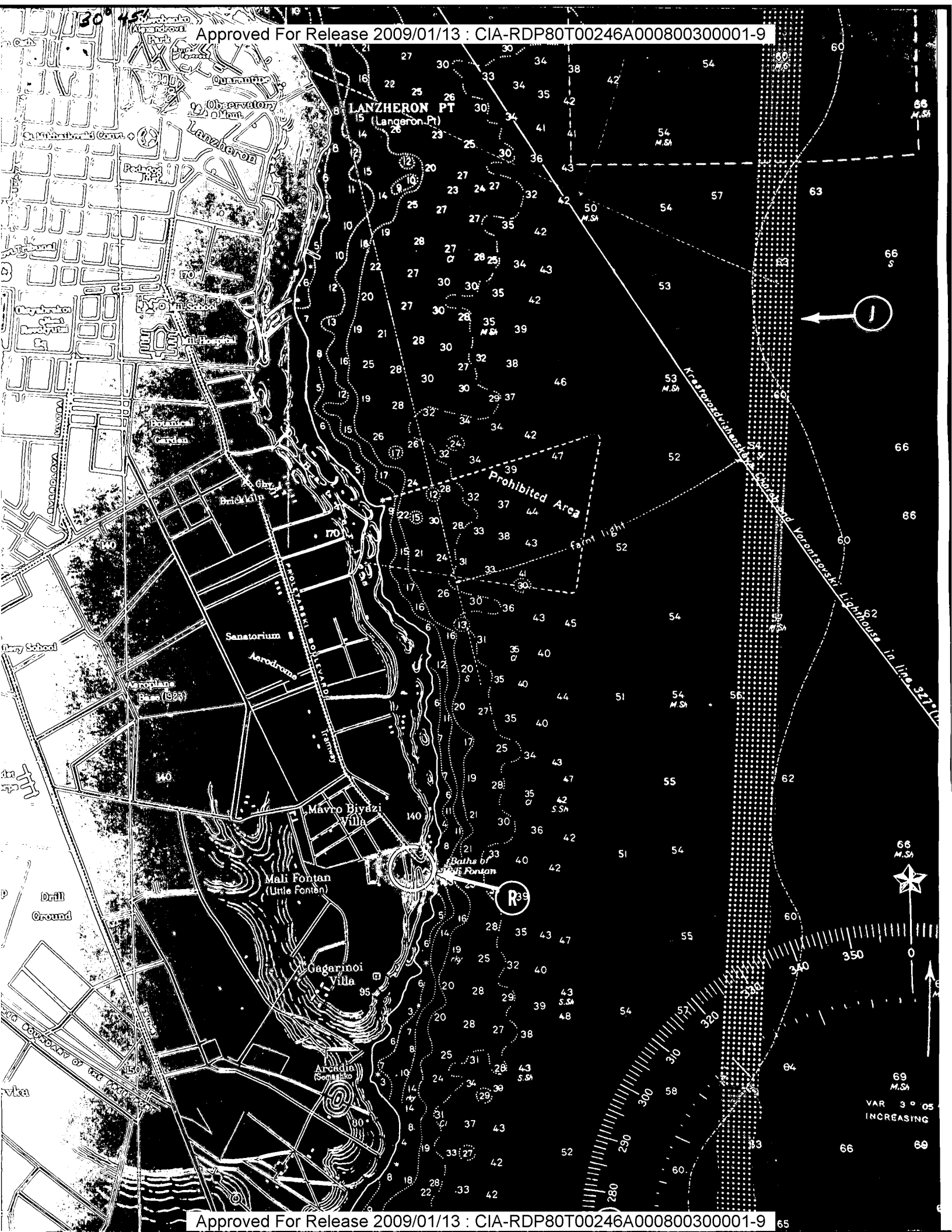

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